RESOLUTION R1314-06

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A BALLOT MEASURE 8-74 FOR THE CURRY HEALTH DISTRICT BOND

WHEREAS, Curry General Hospital is over 60 years old; and

WHEREAS, the structure is way overdue for replacement; and

WHEREAS, making sure a hospital is always in Gold Beach; and

WHEREAS, even with exceptional care provided by highly qualified staff, the hospital does not meet building code and new technology is difficult to accommodate; and

WHEREAS, the \$10 million bond (\$.74/\$1000 for 30 years) will be matched by federal funds and ALL of the funds will be spent in Gold Beach for the new hospital and in Port Orford for Curry Family Medical clinic improvements in service; and

WHEREAS, the hospital is the largest employer in Gold Beach with the best opportunity to grow even more family wage jobs. The new hospital will provide new services and more physicians and staff when completed, with dozens of local jobs during construction; and

WHEREAS, a new hospital will attract and retain physicians, with new specialties. The result will be a more comprehensive local health care system for all Curry County residents, with improved health care and reduced patient travel times; and

WHEREAS, recent repairs and the temporary operating room closure have cost more dollars needed to service the annual debt for a new hospital in Gold Beach. It is better to invest those dollars in a future of better health care and not keep using our funds to repair the past. It is a solid investment in the community's future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the City Council of the City of Gold Beach, is in favor of the hospital bond measure.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Gold Beach, County of Curry, State of Oregon, this 14th day of October 2013.

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ATTEST:

Candy Cronberger, City Recorder